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ABSTRACT

This bibliography lists books appropriate for first and second graders and other children just beginning to exercise some reading skills. Most of the books listed have a controlled vocabulary, but textbooks are not included. Each entry includes author, title, publisher, publication date, and price. Approximately 175 books are listed in alphabetical order by author, and addresses are given for 4 publishers of easy reading books. (KRN)

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EASY READERS

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The following list of titles will be rewarding reading for first and second graders and other children just beginning to exercise some reading skills. It is very important for every public library to have a generous number of these books to encourage independent reading, also to reinforce satisfaction as this skill develops. While it is true that most of these books have "controlled vocabulary," textbooks are not included.

ALLEN, Laura Jean	WHERE IS FREDDY?	Harper	1986	$10.95
AMES, Gerald	PROVE IT!	Harper	1963	$10.89
BAKER, Betty	LITTLE RUNNER OF THE LONGHOUSE	Harper	1962	$10.89
	RAT IS DEAD AND ANT IS SAD	Harper	1981	$10.89
	THE PIG WAR	Harper	1969	$10.89
BENCHLEY, Nathaniel	GEORGE THE DRUMMER BOY	Harper	1977	$10.89
	GHOST NAMED FRED	Harper	1968	$10.89
	SAM THE MINUTEMAN	Harper	1969	$10.89
	SEVERAL TRICKS OF EDGAR DOLPHIN	Harper	1970	$10.89
	SMALL WOLF	Harper	1972	$10.89
	SNORRI AND THE STRANGERS	Harper	1976	$10.89
	STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF ARTHUR CLUCK	Harper	1967	$10.89
BERENSTAIN, Jan & Stan	THE BEAR DETECTIVES	Beginner	1975	$7.99
	BEARS IN THE NIGHT	Beginner	1971	$7.99
	BEARS ON WHEELS	Beginner	1969	$7.99
	BERENSTAIN BEARS & MISSING DINOSAUR BONE	Beginner	1980	$7.99
	HE BEAR, SHE BEAR	Random	1974	$7.99

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	CASE OF THE DOUBLECROSS	Harper	1980	$10.89
	CASE OF THE HUNGRY STRANGER	Harper	1963	$10.89
	CASE OF THE SCAREDY CATS	Harper	1971	$10.89
	DAY I HAD TO PLAY WITH MY SISTER	Harper	1972	$9.89
	MINE'S THE BEST	Harper	1973	$9.89
	PIGGLE	Harper	1973	$10.89
	TELL ME SOME MORE	Harper	1961	$10.89
	WHO'S AFRAID OF THE DARK?	Harper	1980	$9.89
	WHO'S A PEST?	Harper	1962	$10.89
BRANDENBERG, Franz	IT'S NOT MY FAULT!	Greenwillow	1980	$11.95
	LEO AND EMILY	Greenwillow	1981	$12.95
	LEO AND EMILY AND THE DRAGON	Greenwillow	1984	$12.88
	LEO AND EMILY'S BIG IDEAS	Greenwillow	1982	$11.88
	LEO AND EMILY'S ZOO	Greenwillow	1988	$12.88
BRENNER, Barbara	ANNIE'S PET	Bantam	1989	$9.99
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	LION AND LAMB	Bantam	1989	$9.99
	THE MAGIC BOX	Bantam	1990	$9.99
	WAGON WHEELS	Harper	1978	$10.89
BYARS, Betsy	THE GOLLY SISTERS GO WEST	Harper	1986	$10.89
	HOORAY FOR THE GOLLY SISTERS!	Harper	1990	$11.89
CHORAO, Kay	OINK AND PEARL	Harper	1981	$10.89
COERR, Eleanor	THE BIG BALLOON RACE	Harper	1981	$10.89
	THE JOSEFINA STORY QUILT	Harper	1986	$10.89
DEWEY, Ariane	FEBOLD FEBOLDSON	Greenwillow	1984	$10.84
	GIB MORGAN, OILMAN	Greenwillow	1987	$11.88

EASTMAN, Phillip D.	ARE YOU MY MOTHER?	Random	1960	$7.99
	THE BEST NEST	Random	1968	$7.99
	GO DOG GO!	Beginner	1961	$7.99
FARLEY, Walter	LITTLE BLACK, A PONY	Random	1961	$7.99
GACKENBACK, Dick	HATTIE BE QUIET, HATTIE BE GOOD	Harper	1977	$9.89
	HATTIE, TOM AND THE CHICKEN WITCH	Harper	1980	$10.89
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	READY...SET...ROBOT!	Harper	1982	$10.89
	SILLY TILLY AND THE EASTER BUNNY	Harper	1987	$9.89
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	GRIZZWOLD	Harper	1963	$10.89
	MRS. BRICE'S MICE	Harper	1988	$9.89
	SAMMY THE SEAL	Harper	1959	$10.89
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	THUNDERHOOF	Harper	1971	$9.89

HOOKS, William	A DOZEN DIZZY DOGS	Bantam	1990	$9.99
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	SURPRISES	Harper	1984	$10.89
HURD, Edith Thacher	COME AND HAVE FUN	Harper	1962	$9.89
	JOHHNY LION'S BAD DAY	Harper	1970	$10.89
	JOHNNY LION'S BOOK	Harper	1965	$10.89
	JOHNNY LION'S RUBBER BOOTS	Harper	1972	$10.89
	LAST ONE HOME IS A GREEN PIG	Harper	1959	$10.89
	NO FUNNY BUSINESS	Harper	1962	$10.89
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	HERE COMES THE STRIKEOUT	Harper	1965	$10.89
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	LAST ONE IN IS A ROTTEN EGG	Harper	1969	$10.89
	OLD TURTLE'S BASEBALL STORIES	Greenwillow	1982	$12.88
	OLD TURTLE'S SOCCER TEAM	Greenwillow	1988	$12.88
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	I SHOULD HAVE STAYED IN BED	Harper	1965	$13.89
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	ROOFTOP MYSTERY	Harper	1968	$10.89
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	TILLIE AND MERT	Harper	1985	$10.89
MANUSHKIN, Fran	THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS PICTURE	Harper	1980	$10.89
McCLINTOCK, Mike	FLY WENT BY	Random	1958	$7.99
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	WHAT HAVE I GOT?	Harper	1961	$9.89
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	IN A DARK, DARK ROOM	Harper	1984	$10.89
	THERE IS A CARROT IN MY EAR	Harper	1982	$10.89
SELSAM, Millicent E.	GREG'S MICROSCOPE	Harper	1963	$10.89
SEUSS, Dr.	CAT IN THE HAT	Random	1956	$7.99
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SHARMAT, Marjorie	MOOCH THE MESSY	Harper	1976	$10.89
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STEVENSON, James	FAST FRIENDS	Greenwillow	1979	$11.88
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THALER, Mike	COME AND PLAY HIPPO	Harper	1991	$15.89
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	IT'S ME, HIPPO	Harper	1983	$10.89
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	MORRIS GOES TO SCHOOL	Harper	1970	$10.89
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ZION, Gene	HARRY AND THE LADY NEXT DOOR	Harper	1960	$10.89

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